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PATENT**PENDING CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

Please amend the claims as follows:

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14. Previously Canceled.
15. Cancel
16. (Currently Amended) A remote station apparatus comprising:
The remote station apparatus of claim 15 further comprising
an adaptation model containing acoustic pattern information;
an adaptation engine configured to perform pattern matching of acoustic feature
vectors against the acoustic pattern information to identify a selected feature vector
modification function, and configured to apply the selected feature vector modification
function to the acoustic feature vectors to produce a set of modified acoustic feature
vectors for processing by a voice recognition engine using a central acoustic model larger
than the adaptation model;
a control processor for evaluating the performance of the selected feature vector
modification function and adjusting the selected feature vector modification function
based on the evaluating; and
a communications interface for communicating the modified acoustic feature
vectors to the voice recognition engine.

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17. (Currently Amended) The remote station apparatus of claim ~~15~~ 16 further comprising a memory for storing at least one set of parameters corresponding to a set of feature vector modification functions, wherein the selected feature vector modification function is a member of the set of feature modification functions.

18. (Original) The remote station apparatus of claim 17 wherein the memory contains more than one set of parameters corresponding to a set of feature vector modification functions, and wherein each set of parameters corresponds to a specific speaker.

19. (Original) The remote station apparatus of claim 17 wherein the memory contains more than one set of parameters corresponding to a set of feature vector modification functions, and wherein each set of parameters corresponds to a different acoustic environment.

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50. (New) A method comprising:
 - retrieving, from an adaptation model, acoustic pattern information;
 - performing, using an adaptation engine, pattern matching of acoustic feature vectors against the acoustic pattern information to identify a selected feature vector modification function;
 - applying, by the adaptation engine, the selected feature vector modification function to the acoustic feature vectors to produce a set of modified acoustic feature vectors for processing by a voice recognition engine using a central acoustic model larger than the adaptation model;
 - evaluating the performance of the selected feature vector modification function and adjusting the selected feature vector modification function based on the evaluating; and
 - communicating the modified acoustic feature vectors to the voice recognition engine.
51. (New) The method of claim 50, further comprising: storing, in memory, at least one set of parameters corresponding to a set of feature vector modification functions, wherein the selected feature vector modification function is a member of the set of feature modification functions.

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52. (New) The method of claim 51, wherein the memory contains more than one set of parameters corresponding to a set of feature vector modification functions, and wherein each set of parameters corresponds to a specific speaker

53. (New) The method of claim 51, wherein the memory contains more than one set of parameters corresponding to a set of feature vector modification functions, and wherein each set of parameters corresponds to a different acoustic environment.

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